

I would like to support the removal of any morse code testing in the ham radio licensing. I do not see where it does anything to improve communications skills. There are many other modes of communication that are equally as valuable to the whole hobby, but none of them are required as an admission test.

Please remove even the 5 WPM requirement. The removal of the 13WPM a couple years ago was the doorway I needed to upgrade to a General class. I know of quite a few people who have much to add to the hobby if they didn't have to do the morse code part. It is acting as a block preventing much needed new and younger blood from getting involved.

Even though there is not a need for morse to get a Tech license, most people just avoid getting a license at all because they really want to talk on the HF bands also.

Please remove this wall to the younger people. It will help communications all the way around to encourage people to try new things and experiment with radio instead of looking at only commercial ways to talk to each other.